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Sen. Jelinek urges governor to demonstrate her support of agriculture

LANSING – Sen. Ron Jelinek, R-Three Oaks, offered the following statement upon Senate passage of the supplemental appropriations bill (Senate Bill 242) which included an amendment restoring \$5 million for agricultural processing and development that was vetoed by the governor recently:

“I urge the governor to support the full \$10 million for agriculture that she falsely stated was included in previous signed legislation, and by signing this legislation, demonstrate support for Michigan’s agricultural industry. It is clear that up to this point, this important industry has had little, if any, support from the governor. Her recent comments to Farm Bureau were nothing more than politics to appease audience members, since her recent actions have proved otherwise.

“Our farmers and residents of Michigan demand and need real actions and support to keep agriculture thriving. It is time for our governor to realize that Michigan depends on the agricultural industry and it is a key component to grow and bolster our sagging economy.”

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